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**Board of Trustees Meeting  
May 8, 2020**

**Minutes  
Coastal Carolina University**

**Board of Trustees**

**Virtually via Zoom**

**May 8, 2020**

**Presiding:** Chairman William Biggs

**Board Members Present:** John Bartell, Lee Belcher, Dalton Floyd, Natasha Hanna, Wyatt Henderson, Sherry Johnson, Daniel Moore, George Mullen, Jason Repak, Oran Smith, Patrick Sparks, Eugene Spivey, Samuel Swad, William Turner

**Board Members Not Present:** Delan Stevens

**Others Present:** Claudia Bornholdt, Brian Bunton, David DeCenzo, Lydia Deeck, Daniel Ennis, David Frost, Sara Hottinger, Martha Hunn, Edward Jadallah, Carlos Johnson, Travis Overton, Michael Roberts, Caroline Rohr, David Yancey, Robert Young

(In accordance with the requirements of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, the news media were notified of the time, location, and agenda for the meeting. Seven members of the media were in attendance: Rob Blanquist of WMBF, Josh Davis of WPDE, Brad Dickerson of WMBF, Tyler Fleming of The Sun News, Taylor Hernandez of WBTW, Katherine Phillips of WMBF and Katie Powell of My Horry News)

Chairman William Biggs brought the Board meeting to order at 11:14 a.m. Oran Smith offered an invocation.

**Order of Business**

Roll call was taken by Vice President of Executive Initiatives/Chief of Staff, Travis Overton.

**I. President's Report – David A. DeCenzo**

President David DeCenzo informed the Trustees that several committees have been formed in regards to reductions in costs. One in particular is looking at a cross-section of individuals on campus for cost saving measures. President DeCenzo and the Executive Committee have tasked the University's Emergency Management Group to start the process for smoothly reopening the institution. They will be working with all parts of the campus and working with Columbia and DHEC in terms of testing and social distancing.

Coastal will be moving forward without a tuition increase. While this does put some added burden on the university, Coastal is making some significant cuts so this will not be put on the backs of students.

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Virtual Graduation will be tonight at 6 p.m. Actor Michael Kelly is the commencement speaker and he has a wonderful message for the graduating students. President DeCenzo thanks Special Events, University Marketing and Communication, and several other departments for all of their hard work in getting this put together. The Virtual Honors Convocation was last night and all honors students and the student of the year were recognized. From the comments on social media, it was very well received.

Coastal will continue to work on current plans, while waiting for Columbia's decision on the continuing resolution. With the passing of this resolution, it will give the University the opportunity to make the human resources changes that are being worked on.

President DeCenzo will send out the University's announcement about returning in-person for the fall semester immediately following this meeting.

### **II. Executive Session**

Oran Smith moved to go into Executive Session to discuss University operations. George Mullen seconded and the motion carried.

Upon returning from Executive Session, it was noted that no action was taken.

### **III. Standing Committee Motions**

#### Finance, Planning and Facilities Committee

- **Wyatt Henderson moved to approve and adopt the proposed tuition and fees as presented in the Proposed Budget for FY 2020-2021. (Motion 20-FPF-10)\*. Sherry Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was required for this motion, and the motion carried.**
- **Henderson moved to approve and adopt the proposed Room and Board rates. (20-FPF-11) \*. Eugene Spivey seconded. A roll call vote was required for this motion, and the motion carried.**
- **Henderson moved to approve the new program fees & course lab fees. (20-FPF-12) \*. Spivey seconded. A roll call vote was required for this motion, and the motion carried.**

**Henderson moved to consider the following two motions as a group:**

- **Approval of the renewal of one-year lease with Horry-Georgetown Technical College, for the term July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, for one faculty office 1282N in the Speir Building at the HGTC Grand Strand campus. Rent to include all utilities, security, maintenance, custodial and telecommunication costs.**

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**(Motion 20-FPF-13) \*.**

- **Approval of the renewal of one-year lease, for the term July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, to the Small Business Development Center of Winthrop University.**

**(Motion 20-FPF-14) \*.**

**Spivey seconded, and the motions carried.**

**Henderson moved to consider the following three motions as a group:**

- **Approval to authorize the administration to exercise discretion with regard to renewing or terminating the University's one-year lease, renewable for three more years, with Fountain-Fuller of SC, L.L.C. for +/- 14,160 square feet of warehouse space at the Atlantic Center (444 Century Circle) effective September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. (Motion 20-FPF-15) \*.**
- **Approval to authorize the administration to exercise discretion with regard to renewing or terminating the University's one-year lease, renewable for three more years, with Fountain-Fuller of SC, L.L.C., for +/- 7,500 square feet of office space at the Atlantic Center (450 Century Circle Suite A) effective September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. (Motion 20-FPF-16) \*.**
- **Approval to authorize the administration to exercise discretion with regard to renewing or terminating the University's one-year lease, renewable for three more years, with Fountain-Fuller of SC, L.L.C., for +/- 5,000 square feet of office space at the Atlantic Center (450 Century Circle Suite B) effective September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. (Motion 20-FPF-17) \*.**

**Spivey seconded, and the motions carried.**

- **Henderson moved to approve a one-year lease, renewable for four more consecutive years, from the CCU Student Housing Foundation, an affiliate of Coastal Carolina University, for the real property designated as a portion of Parcel 9 and a portion of Parcel 38, containing in the aggregate 26.71 acres. The lease will be effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. (Motion 20-FPF-18) \*. Spivey seconded and the motion carried.**

**Government Affairs Committee**

No action items.

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**IV. Chairman's Report**

The 2020 meeting dates are as follows: August 6-7, October 22-23 and December 15.

**V. Adjournment**

As there was no more business, Samuel Swad moved to adjourn the meeting and Daniel Moore seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lydia Deeck*  
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Recorder